



California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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Topic	Fire Drills in Group R, Division 2 Occupancies		
Code Section(s)	§3.10, Title 19, California Code of Regulations		
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Are fire drills required by State regulation in a Group R, Division 2.2.1 Occupancy?

No. There are no requirements for monthly fire drills for a Group R, Division 2 Occupancy. Section 3.10 of Title 19 speaks only to the evacuation and relocation of occupants. When this code section addresses “fire drills”, it specifically is directed at those occupancies that do require fire drills (e.g., schools). In addition, State Law provides that requirements for Group R, Division 2 Occupancies housing six or less cannot be amended by local ordinance.